

REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

Before entry of the present amendment, Claims 1-7 were pending, and presently, Claims 1-5 stand rejected and have been canceled. Claims 6-7 were objected to as being dependant upon a rejected base claim, and claim 6 has been amended in independent form and should now be in condition for allowance. Further, new claims 8-11 are now dependant upon claim 6 as amended, and should therefore also be in condition for allowance.

Therefore, in view of foregoing amendments and clarifications, the applicant submits that allowance of the present application and all remaining claims, as amended, is in order and a formal Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested at the earliest possible date.

Respectfully submitted,

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